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Executive Assistant to DCI
Director of Training
Weekly Summary Report

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1. The Department of the Army operates a two-year academic program for the study of the Russian language and advanced study of the Armed Forces, economic structure, political structure, topography, psychology and sociology of the Soviet Union and contiguous areas in Northern, Central and Southern Europe. The aim of this program, now five years old, is to produce officers who understand the Soviet Union, its peoples and its primary language and who will have adequate background to make sound decisions and estimates on the capabilities, limitations and potentials of the Soviet Union and contiguous areas. State has participated in this program over the past four years.

Informal discussion with Army indicates that CIA could probably have a few slots for participation in the program commencing September 1952. Accordingly, details concerning the program have been circulated to the Agency offices which are to inform me next week if interested and able to spare qualified persons to participate. If these returns show that CIA can provide suitably qualified personnel, and I do have favorable preliminary assurance of this, formal action will be taken to lay on our participation.

2. Received a quota for one CIA employee to attend the 1952-53 Economic Mobilization Course of the Industrial College of the Armed Forces. Selection will be initiated.

3. [] of my staff visited at [] to plan for Summer Area Courses and initiated arrangements for a Summer Area Program on Southeast Asia at the School for Advanced International Affairs.

5. [] employees of OSO received special training in close combat, 31 January - 2 February 1952, from DQM.

6. One member of [] Class VI was transferred from TC #1 to Washington on 1 February 1952 due to his refusal to []

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